GAME PRESERVATION ORDINANCE 1924

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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE.

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PALESTINE.

REGULATIONS.

(March 1st, 1924).

Under Article 4 of the Game Preservation Ordinance, 1924, made by the Director of Agriculture.

(a) The taking of Quail by means of nets on the sea is prohibited except in accordance with the following conditions:-

1. Application must be made to the District Governor for a special licence.

2. An annual fee of £E. 1 shall be paid for each kilometric length of net so employed, or part of a kilometre.

3. A single line of nets shall be employed.

4. The nets shall be erected at least 500 metres distant from the edge of the sea measured from high water mark.

5. Individual nets must not be more than 200 metres long, i.e. not more than 200 metres of any part of the shore may be webbed continuously. A length of shore equal to the longest net employed must be left unnetted between any two adjacent nets.

(b) The taking, disturbance, destruction or sale of all eggs of game any of all young of game throughout Palestine is prohibited except with the written permission of the District Governor.

(c) The mammals and birds defined in Schedule I. to these Regulations shall be considered vermin.

(d) The following fees shall be payable for licences issued under the Ordinance:-

1. **"A" Licence.** To hunt game including one male Gazelle of each species and all other game not protected by a proclamation issued under Article 3 of the Ordinance ..... £E. 3.

   This licence shall be issued only to an approved holder of a licence to carry both a rifle and a shot-gun granted under the Firearms Ordinance, 1922.

2. **"B" Licence.** To include the hunting of all game, with the exception of gazelle and any game protected in accordance with Article 3 of the Ordinance ..... £E. 1.

This licence shall be issued only to an approved holder of a licence to carry a shot-gun granted under the Firearms Ordinance, 1922.

(3) **"C" Licence.** For the destruction of vermin, and protection of crops .....P.T. 10.

This licence shall be issued only to an approved holder of a licence to carry a shot-gun granted under the Firearms Ordinance, 1922.

(e) Licences shall be valid from the first day of January until the last day of December of any year. They shall be renewed within one month of expiration. They shall be issued on the forms set out in Schedule II of these Regulations. They shall contain lists of game, of reserves, and of game or other animals protected from hunting.

E.R. SAWER
Director of Agriculture

APPROVED.

HERBERT SAMUEL
High Commissioner.

1st. March, 1924.

SCHEDULE I.

LIST OF VERMIN IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 4, PARA, C., GAME PRESERVATION ORDINANCE 1924.

Engish Name.	Scientific Name.
All Wolves.	Vulpes Portali.
All Foxes.	Vulpes Nilotica.
All Jackals.	Canis Aureus.
All Hyenas.	Hyaena Striata.
All Wild Cats.	Felis Bubastis & Felis Chaus.
All Sparrows.	Prunella Modularis. Passer Domesticus. ,, Hispaniolensis. ,, Moabiticus. Petronia Petronia.

SCHEDULE II.

GAME PRESERVATION ORDINANCE 1924.

Serial No..... Year 19..... Fee £E. 3.

"A" LICENCE to hunt Game in Palestine.

(Name).....residing at.....is hereby licensed to hunt Game, inclusive of one male gazelle of each species, subject to the provisions of the Game Preservation Ordinance, 1924, and regulations made thereunder.

This licence expires on the 31st day of December, 19.....

Possession of this licence does not exempt the holder from obtaining a licence to carry a rifle and a shot-gun.

Given the.....day of.....19.....

(Signed).....District Govepnor

Guarantor's name (1).....Address (1).....
(2).....(2).....

Attention is drawn to the provisions of the Game Preservation Ordinance, 1924, extracts of which are set forth on the back hereof.

GAME PRESERVATION ORDINANCE 1924.

Year 19.....Fee £E. 1.

Serial No.....

"B" LICENCE to hunt Game in Palestine.

(Name).....residing at.....is hereby licensed to hunt Game, exclusive of Gazelle, subject to the provisions of the Game Preservation Ordinance, 1924, and any regulations made thereunder.

This licence expires on the 31st day of December, 19.....

Possession of this licence does not exempt the holder from obtaining a fire-arm licence.

Given the.....day of.....19.....

(Signed).....District Governor

Guarantor's name (1).....Address (1).....
(2).....(2).....

Attention is drawn to the provisions of the Game Preservation Ordinance, 1924, extracts of which are set forth on the back hereof.

GAME PRESERVATION ORDINANCE 1924.

Year 19..... Fee PT. 10.

Serial No.....

"C" LICENCE to destroy Vermin and protect Crops.

(Name).....resident at.....is hereby licensed to kill vermin and protect his crops within the area of..... .....village, subject to the provisions of the Game Preservation Ordinance, 1924, and any regulations made thereunder.

This licence expires on the 31st day of December, 19.....

Possession of this licence does not exempt the holder from obtaining a fire-arm licence.

Given the.....day of.....19.....

(Signed).....District Governor

Guarantor's name (1).....Address (1).....
(2).....(2).....

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TO BE PRINTED ON BACK OF "A", "B", & "C" LICENCE.

I. Game means: all Wild Geese, Wild Duck of any kind, Pigeons, Doves, Sandgrouse, Partridges, Francolin, Quail, Spotted Crake, Land Rail, Water Rail, Moorhen, Coot, Great Bustard, Litle Bustard, Woodcock, Snipe and Jack Snipe.

Dorcas Gazelle, Desert Gazelle, Carmel Gazelle, Syrian Ibex, Roe Deer, Fallow Deer Syrian Bear, Hare.

"Hunt" means shooting, killing or wilfully disturbing.

"Sell" means selling, hawking, offering or exposing for sale.

"Close Season" means from February 1st. to August 31st.

II. The following game is protected by a close season:- All partridges, all sandgrouse, all bustard, hares and all gazelles.

III. Francolin is entirely protected and all hunting of this bird is illegal.

IV. Only one male gazelle of each species (Nos. 1,2,3, of "B" in Schdule II. of the Ordinance) may be killed by a holder of an "A" licence in any part of Palestine.

V. All hunting in Game Reserves is prohibited except with the written permission of the Chief Secretary.

The following areas have been declared Game Reserves:

1. JELIL.	On the Syrian Border in Acre Sub-District.
2. WADI FUSAIL.	South of Jisr Damieh in Samaria District.
3. GHORANIYEH.	Between Jisr Damieh and Beisan, Samaria District.
4. BEIT JEBRIN.	The triangle formed by Beit Jebrin, Zakaria, and Rana, Hebron Sub-District.
5. CARMELITE MONASTERY GROUNDS.	Mt. Carmel, Haifa Sub-District.
6. CLOSED FOREST AREAS.	
(a) Acre Sand Dunes.	Between Acre and Haifa.
(b) Gaza Sand Dunes.	Gaza.
7. ARTUF.	Between Jerusalem-Jaffa Road and Railway and between Latron, Wadi Surar, Deir el Sheikh and Saris.

VI. Hunting of the following birds and mammals is absolutely prohibited until further notice: — Ibex, Eagles, Vultures, Kestrels, Owls, Storks, Cranes, Hoopoes, Bee-eaters, Plover, Larks, Lapwing or Peewit, Pipit, Wagtails Warblers and Wheatears.